

To: CT Housing Committee
From: Jill Harvey, West Hartford
Re: HB 6633 An Act Concerning A Needs Assessment And Fair Share Plans for Municipalities
To Increase Affordable Housing
Date: February 25, 2023

Members of the Housing Committee:

I am writing to voice my support for HB 6633 Fair Housing.
I have been an adult resident of CT for over 50 years. For the past 23 years, West Hartford has been my home, although my previous addresses include urban, rural and suburban locales across our state. As a single working parent, I've raised three children in CT and I know that "where you live matters". I've experienced the impact of place on the quality of my family's day-to-day life and I'm witness to the various outcomes of my now adult children, not all of whom were privy to safe and healthy environments and well-funded schools.

We need structural change in CT's housing system. We need change that expands opportunities across our state for all individuals and families, and we need change that makes economic sense - - that generates income and tax revenue.

HB 6633 will provide a framework on which CT towns can create policies that ensure our residents will thrive tomorrow and for years to come.

Thank you,
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